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Medical and Surgical Chests—Required in Factories and Shops where Machinery is Operated. (Part of Ord., Nov. 11, 1912).

SEC. 53. Every person, firm, or corporation operating a factory or shop in which machinery is used for any manufacturing purpose, or for any other purpose except for elevators, or for heating or hoisting apparatus, shall at all times keep and maintain free of expense to the employees, such a medical and surgical chest as shall be required by the local health department of the city of Des Moines, where such machinery is used, containing plasters, bandages, absorbent cotton, gauze, and all other necessary medicines, instruments, and other appliances for the treatment of persons injured or taken ill upon the premises.

The health department, in compliance with the foregoing, requires the following medical and surgical appliances to be kept and maintained by factories and shops: 1 pair of scissors, straight (2½-inch blade); 1 elastic tourniquet (minimum 24 inches); 1 roll 2-inch adhesive plaster; 1 dozen 2-inch gauze bandages; 1 pound of absorbent cotton; 1 yard sterile gauze; 10 yards canton flannel (used with carron oil for burns); 100 tablets 1½ grains corrosive sublimate and citric acid; 6 whitewood strips, 40 by 4 by 3.16; 2 pillows; 1 package pins; 3 dozen safety pins; 4 ounces spirits of ammonia, aromatic (rubber stopple); ¼ gallon of carron oil; 1 pint of brandy; 1 pint of sulphonaphthol.

Barber Shops—Utensils to be Sterilized. (Part of Ord., Nov. 11, 1912.)

SEC. 58. Every owner or person in charge of any barber shop shall keep his place of business, together with all furniture, in a cleanly condition. Mugs, shaving brushes, and razors shall be sterilized in boiling water, or otherwise disinfected after every separate use thereof. A separate towel shall be used for every person. Alum or other materials used to stop the flow of blood shall be used in powdered form and applied with a towel. The use of powder puffs is prohibited. Every barber shop shall be provided with running hot and cold water (if possible). No person shall be allowed to use any barber shop as a dormitory. Every barber shall clean his hands thoroughly immediately after serving each customer. Hair brushes and combs shall be thoroughly washed at least once a day.

Diphtheria—Release of Nurses from Quarantine in Cases of. (Part of Ord., Nov. 11, 1912.)

SEC. 60. No person acting in the capacity of nurse where a case of diphtheria exists, shall be released from quarantine until one negative culture test swabbing has been taken from the nose and throat, and proper disinfection of both and clothing has been completed under the direction of the health department.

Medicines and Proprietary Preparations—Distribution of Samples. (Part of Ord., Nov. 11, 1912.)

SEC. 62. No person, firm, association or corporation shall distribute or otherwise deposit any sample packages, parcels, boxes, or other quantity of any nostrum, pills, proprietary medicine or any other material of an alleged medical character or purporting to be a curative agency by means of depositing, leaving, or distributing same in any street, alley, park, public place or private premises in the city of Des Moines, unless said samples, so to be distributed, shall be first examined by the city physician and approved by him, and upon such approval, one sample only may be delivered to each adult person, but none of the samples mentioned herein shall be delivered to any minor.